

# Hopkinsville Kentuckian.

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### BULLET IN HEART.

Edward A. Simmons Ends His Troubles With A Pistol.

Was Despondent Over Lack of Work And Other Troubles.

Edward A. Simmons, until recently an engineer at the Dalton Stone Works, committed suicide on New Year's morning, shooting himself in the heart. About two weeks ago the rock quarry shut down and threw him out of employment and he had ever since been in a very despondent frame of mind.

On Friday morning he arose early and went to a butcher shop to get some meat for the family breakfast. Soon after returning he went into another room and shot himself. He had told his wife upon waking up that he intended to kill himself that day, but she did not take the threat seriously. It was afterwards that he went down in town for the meat.

Mr. Simmons was formerly an engineer on the L. & N. railroad, several years ago. It is said he had been promised a new position at the Asylum this week.

Deceased was about 45 years old and leaves a wife and several children.

Coroner Allensworth held an inquest over the body and a verdict of suicide was rendered.

The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge of Henderson. Members of the local lodge accompanied the remains to the Simmons burying ground, near Elmo, Saturday, where the interment took place.

### GONE TO CINCINNATI.

Rev. Bond Accepts Charge of Church in Ohio.

The Rev. A. R. Bond, late pastor of the Baptist Church at Pembroke, has accepted a call to Price Hill Baptist Church in Cincinnati. He left last week for Cincinnati to enter upon his new charge.

### Death of An Infant.

The three-months-old child of Mrs. Sadie Jesup died at the home of its mother, on South Virginir street, of pneumonia.

### PEMBROKE GANG

To Indicted and Tried at Once.

Grand Jury Now in Session—some of the Terrible Crime.

Circuit court convened yesterday in special session to try the Pembroke gang of murderers.

Justice Thos. Cook, Commonwealth Attorney Smith and Circuit Clerk Claude Clark, qualified for terms of office and the first business done was to empanel the special grand jury, as follows:

F. Dabney, foreman; G. W. Coll, Wm. McGar, C. W. Garrott, D. Jones, W. E. Adcock, ClaBoates, R. G. Rickman, Geo. B. ft, W. T. Bonte, J. M. Bullard, Matthew Croft.

Twenty petit jurors have been summoned for to-morrow.

Sheriff was ordered to bring these prisoners from Madisonville.

### Resume of the Case.

A special session of court is for the indictment and trial of nine negroes, who are charged with the murder and robbery of an unknown white man, who was sleeping by a campfire on the night of Nov. 14, near Pembroke, Ky.

Nine men charged with the crime are:

George Holland, aged 50.  
Lk Carney, aged 32.  
Lank Massie, aged 72.  
Charles Finch, aged 27.  
Holland, aged 25.  
H Garrott, aged 30.  
I Moseley, aged 19.  
Lank Merriwether, aged 22.  
Lank Sherman, aged 25.

The arrests were brought about by Detective Lawrence Moore, assisted by Town Marshal Joseph E. Jason, of Pembroke. George Holland was first arrested and when confronted with certain points of evidence against him he confessed and implicated seven more men. Lar Ed Moseley told the officers that he saw the murder committed and was afraid to tell it and he was mistaken in charge.

According to Holland's confession the negroes were in Pembroke, on Saturday, Nov. 14, and saw the stranger display a roll of money and watched him when he went to R. L. Chilton's farm and camped

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in the woods. He built a fire and went to sleep. The negroes during the night crept upon him and Holland says Merriwether dealt the sleeping man a murderous blow with the pick handle afterwards found in the leaves. The body quivered, and to complete the work George Holland sprang upon the dying man and cut his throat, while Bill Garrott held him. He says Sherman was the leader, but all of the gang took part in searching and robbing the body. The spoils were divided and the murderers then disfigured the dead man's face by cutting away the flesh and burying it in the ground. They lacerated the throat, cut off the ears and mutilated the body. The clothes were slashed and torn, the shoes taken off and burned and the body dragged to the pile of rails some distance away and concealed, where it was afterwards found. When found it had been rooted about by hogs and had the appearance of having been partially devoured.

Gov. Becham offered a reward of \$250 for the capture and conviction of the murderers. County Judge Fowler offered \$50 and these amounts were supplemented by the people of Pembroke, who subscribed \$100 to a reward fund.

A glove dropped near the scene

by Frank Meredith, alias Merriwether, was the first clue discovered and he was kept under watch. George Holland's actions also excited suspicions and it was finally decided to take him in charge with the result given above.

The identity of the murdered man is still a mystery.

The prisoners were arrested Dec. 12 and after remaining in the Hopkinsville jail for two weeks were taken to Madisonville Dec. 24, on account of rumors of mob violence.

### SHOPS DESTROYED.

Tennessee Central Suffers by Fire in Nashville.

The East Yard shops of the Tennessee Central Railroad, in South Nashville, were destroyed by fire Thursday evening, the fire breaking out in the blacksmith shop at 6.45 o'clock. The total valuation of property burned and damaged will reach about \$150,000, the actual loss between \$75,000 and \$80,000. The loss borne by the railroad will not be more than \$18,000. The insurance carried was \$74,000.

The shops will be rebuilt at once and on the same site. They will be built on a larger scale than formerly and will be arranged with a view toward further extension when the need demands. The insurance will cover all losses.

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